completion of these projects. Four laning of Talwandi-Ferozepur (section of Ludhiana-Ferozepur) has not been identified under NHDP.

Instruments to check theft of vehicles

3368. SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the specific instruments which have been made compulsory for installation by Government to check the day-to-day theft of the transport and non-transport vehicles;

(b) the existing provisions at present to cancel the licenses of drivers involved in the accidents and the proposals under consideration in this regard; and

(c) the proposals received from the State Government of Rajasthan to check the road 'accidents and also to stop the theft of vehicles and by when these proposals are likely to be implemented by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No specific anti-theft instrument has been made compulsory by the Government for fitment in motor vehicles.

Under Section 19 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, a licensing authority may disqualify a person from holding a driving licence or revoke such license on a number of grounds such as the person being habitual criminal/drunkard/addict to any narcotic drugs or commission of any cognizable offence, dangerous driving etc. Under Section 22 of the Act, Court may also cancel the driving licence if the person is convicted of an offence relating to dangerous driving, causing death of, or grievous hurt to, any person. A court shall necessarily cancel the license on subsequent conviction for the offence relating to drunken driving.

Government of Rajasthan had suggested that cases of acidents by a driver be entered in his driving licence record and such violations should attract penalty points. The driving licence be cancelled after the penalty points get accoumulated to a certain level. The Government of Rajasthan had also suggested for making mandatory provisions in the rules for installation of security gadgets (central locking, steering lock, fuel lock) in the motor vehicles.

The Government of Rajasthan has already been informed that issuance of driving licence in Smart Card mode includes provision for as many as ten endorsements on the driving licence along with other details. Section 19 of the Act also empowers the licensing authorities to disqualify a person from holding a driving licence or revoke such licence on a number of grounds. The Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 do not debar fitment of security gadgets in the motor vehicle.

Proposal of disaster management support

3369. MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

whether ISRO proposes to offer disaster management support in Asia-Pacific region;

if so, the details thereof;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

whether ISRO has developed an SOS system for the fishermen facing emergency while in the sea; and

if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

ISRO, as a memebr of the 'International Charter, Space and Major Disasters'; and the 'Sentinel Asia' Project (launched under the Asia-Pacific-Region Space Agency; Forum in October 2005), offers disaster management support in the Asia-Pacific region. While only the satellite data, based on specific requests, is provided for disaster events under the International Charter; the 'Sentinel Asia' project envisages providing satellite data as well as capacity building support for the less developed countries of the Asia-Pacific region, for disaster management purposes.

Yes, Sir.

ISRO has developed a satellite based Distress Alert Transmitter (DAT) for safety of fishermen in deep seas, making use of the Data Relay Transponder (DRT) pay load on-board the INSAT-3 A satellite. The system has a coverage over Indian Ocean, covering areas from Western Australia up to Eastern Africa.

Amount allocated for space programmes

3370. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

the amount allocated and spent for space programmes in the country during the last three years, year-wise;

the achievements made in the form of successful missions/launches and the benefits accrued to the country as a result of each of those missions;

the failed missions/launches during the period alongwith the loss incurred thereon;

whether Government proposes to take any steps to make space establishments self earning; and

if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) The amount allocated and spent for space programmes during the last three years is as below:

(Rs. in Crore)

	Final allocation	Actual amount
	as per RE	Spent
2005-06	2675.52	2667.60
2006-07	2997.29	2988.66
2007-08	3290.09	Expected to be fully spent.